Permanency from Day One

ACF Children's Bureau Strengthening Child Welfare Systems to Achieve Expected Child and Family Outcomes (HHS-2018-ACF-ACYF-CO-1360)

INTERVENTIONS

- Build model for successful teaming to engage families and youth early in the dependency process
- Build up supports legally free youth
- Align court improvement efforts

OUTCOMES

Enhance system capacity to:

- Support caseworkers in early family engagement
- Enable parents to partner more effectively and earlier with their childwelfare team
- Align concurrent planning efforts with court improvement efforts
- Provide recruitment strategies for legally free youth for adoption

Washington's Context

- Opportunities emerging within agency merger
- Strong partnerships in judicial system
- · Vast library of relevant data
- Close alignment with other federal planning and performance improvement efforts

Other States in Grantee Cohort

• Florida • Kansas • New Mexico • Texas

Child and Family Services Review (CFSR)

PERMANENCY 1

Children have permanency and stability in their living situations.

WELL-BEING 1

Families have enhanced capacity to provide for their children's needs.

Where: Select offices within seven counties across four regions, Representing a large proportion of the state's intakes and placements.

Who: Children, Youth, and Families entering dependency, parent allies, foster parents, kinship caregivers, child welfare and court professionals



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